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## 'Catfishing' scheme lands woman in jail

**SHELLY CHARTIER**

**Victims were used as 'players in her fantasy world': Judge**

A reclusive northern Manitoba woman who came close to ruining the career of a professional athlete after impersonating him and others online is behind bars after being sentenced to 18 months in jail.

Shelly Chartier pleaded guilty in August to seven counts of fraud and other offences in a so-called "catfishing" scheme that entangled the athlete in a child porn investigation and led to a raid of his home in 2012.

In his decision Wednesday, Judge Ryan Rolston said the 32-year-old used her "victims as

players in her fantasy world."

"The offender executed a series of deceitful acts, each leading her prey to fall into the trap she had set," Rolston wrote. "Her actions reflect that despite her limited education, the offender has an in-depth understanding of people that allowed for her to manipulate them in nefarious ways."

Rolston described Chartier as a lonely recluse with a Grade 6 education who left school after being stabbed in the back with a pencil. She rarely left the house and the only social event she had ever attended was her uncle's wedding at the age of eight.

Chartier, who has since married an American she met online, is eligible for parole after serving one-third of her sentence. Skinner said it's unlikely she will be behind bars for more than a year.

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READING

## Manitoba book chosen for initiative



**Dave Baxter**  
Metro | Winnipeg

Manitobans have selected *The Evolution of Alice* by David Robertson as this year's featured book for the eighth annual On the Same Page, a province-wide reading initiative.

On the Same Page is a joint project between the Winnipeg Foundation and the Winnipeg Public Library, and encourages all Manitobans to read and talk about the same

book at the same time.

One of four titles shortlisted for the 2015-16 On the Same Page program, *The Evolution of Alice* garnered the most selections through online and in-person voting between June and September.

"I'm thrilled and humbled that *The Evolution of Alice* has been voted as the book to get all Manitobans 'on the same page,'" said Robertson in a press release.

"It's especially humbling considering the amazing books I was shortlisted with."

DAUPHIN

## Big fire destroys businesses in mall

A shopping mall has been destroyed in a massive fire in Dauphin.

No injuries have been reported in the blaze that began about 1 p.m. on Wednesday afternoon at the Dauphin Village Mall. The fire is not considered suspicious and the cause is under investigation, but a witness told radio station CKDM that it started in a

deep fryer in Corrina's on Main, a popular restaurant in the mall.

Fire Chief Cam Abrey said the fire was able to spread quickly through the attic in part because a second roof had previously been put on the building to link two separate wings. Heavy equipment had to be brought in to take that second roof down.

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Firefighters on the scene of a mall blaze. 730 CKDM/TWITTER

# Ride sharing will help cab industry: Uber

TRANSPORTATION

## Taxi Alliance says service unsafe and unregulated

Not only is Uber not a threat to Winnipeg's taxi industry, it could be a boon for local cab drivers if allowed to operate in the city, says a representative from the ridesharing app.

Chris Schafer, Uber's public policy manager, made the comments while in Winnipeg Wednesday to discuss how the service — which uses an app to connect people looking for a ride with others willing to pick them up for a fare often much lower than traditional cabs — could benefit the city's transit landscape.

"What happens is people take for-hire ground transportation more frequently ... and that entire pie grows," said Schafer during an interview with Metro at the downtown offices of the Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce.

"Yes, Uber and companies like Uber become part of that pie, but at the same time, when people are taking these options more frequently ... they're also taking taxi and public transit more frequently."

"In some respects everybody wins."

The Winnipeg Taxi Alliance — a lobby group recently set up



Chris Schafer, Uber's public policy manager, was in Winnipeg Wednesday to talk about the benefits the ridesharing app could bring to our city. SHANE GIBSON/METRO



**What happens is people take for-hire ground transportation more frequently ... and that entire pie grows.** Chris Schafer

by two city taxi cab companies to fight against rideshare services like Uber — takes a different view.

Spokesperson Luc Lewandoski said ridesharing is unregulated and unsafe and questioned Uber's corporate practices in other cities, like Toronto, where

the company recently refused to halt operations while councillors there work to put regulations into place.

Schafer admitted the company isn't stopping its operations in Toronto, but said they plan to work with the city on the regulations, which are expected to go

into effect next spring.

As for Winnipeg, Schafer said Uber wants to get going here too, but couldn't say when that'll happen.

He said Mayor Brian Bowman seems warm to the idea, and the company is working with the province to get the service licensed in Manitoba.

Earlier in the day Bowman said he has met with Uber "just to learn a little more about the service" but wouldn't say whether or not he's in favour of it coming to Winnipeg.

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## Allard opposes intersection plans

Coun. Matt Allard wants the city to scrap their plans for an interchange and underpass at the corner of Marion and Archibald Streets, but the city's mayor says that so far no plans have changed.

"The councillor may wish to bring something to council for council's consideration," said Bowman. "Council has prioritized our Build Canada asks and until such time as that prioritization in council is amended we have our priorities set out."

"I am pleased to hear the councillor is listening to local residents in his ward and the office of public engagement did some good work to reach out and make sure the local voices are heard, but the priorities are

set out by council."

Allard has said he believes the project should go through a redesign, and Bowman was asked if a possible change to the project's schedule could move up the schedule to work on the widening of Kenaston Boulevard.

"Any questions of redesign aren't before us right now," said Bowman.

"In terms of the priorities though the reason why the widening of Kenaston was not placed higher was based on the fact that land hasn't been disposed of yet."

"So we are quite anxious to hear from the federal government about the next step in the disposition of that land."

DAVID BAXTER/METRO



Mayor Brian Bowman speaks at city hall, Wednesday.

DAVE BAXTER/METRO

FIRST RESPONDERS

## People not paying paramedic bills

The Winnipeg Fire Paramedic Service needs more money because some patients aren't paying their bills.

The service says it requires an additional \$415,000 to balance its books before the end of the year.

A report attributes the shortfall to bad debt, because the service is unable to collect

money for some ambulance transports to hospitals and appointments.

It says it doesn't expect the outstanding bills will be resolved.

But the service says if the current level of service is to be maintained, it needs the money from the city.

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An artist's rendering of the new Inuit Art Centre. COURTESY WINNIPEG ART GALLERY

# Inuit art centre will be largest in Canada

WAG

**\$950,000 grant will help fund new 4-storey building**



Dave Baxter  
Metro | Winnipeg

The Winnipeg Art Gallery has received a massive grant to support a new Inuit Art Centre.

The Winnipeg Foundation presented the WAG with \$950,000 to support the pro-

posed Inuit Art Centre, which the WAG said will engage audiences with Inuit art, culture, and history.

The WAG hopes to create the centre to showcase their collection of more than 13,000 Inuit artworks that it currently holds in trust.

The new building, which would be built adjacent to the

WAG, would be a four level, 40,000 square foot facility, with a open storage system that would let people see Inuit carvings from street level.

It would be the largest single gallery space in Canada devoted to Inuit art and culture.

"The Inuit Art Centre will be an innovative programming hub that celebrates Inuit art and In-

digenous cultures through exhibitions, research, education, and art making, while also showcasing the WAG's significant collection of contemporary Inuit art," said WAG director and CEO Dr. Stephen Borys.

"This generous gift from The Winnipeg Foundation helps the WAG develop programs to engage Winnipeg residents of all ages and backgrounds, and to build bridges between North and South."

On Wednesday the WAG also opened its new temporary Inuit Art Centre Project, a new exhibit curated by Dr. Stephen Borys that outlines key aspects of the proposed Inuit Art Centre initiative.



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# Black Mastiff apprentice under icon John Garcia

## BACKSTAGE PASS

**Edmonton trio recorded new album in California**

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For Metro | Winnipeg

Black Mastiff received the warmest welcome to sky valley.

The Edmonton stoner rock trio recorded its new album *Music Machine* at Thunder-Underground Studios in Palm Springs, California with producer and former Kyuss vocalist John Garcia.

Kyuss, which also contained Queens of the Stone Age frontman Josh Homme, were a Palm Desert band known for such seminal stoner-rock records *Blues for the Red Sun* (1992) and *Welcome to Sky Valley* (1994).

Black Mastiff bassist Clay Shea said Garcia was a real spark in the studio.

"John's a super enthusiastic guy. Sometimes he was almost like cheerleader," said Shea, who is joined in Black Mastiff by vocalist/guitarist Bobby Yiannakoulis and drummer Alan Harding.

According to Shea, Black Mastiff was having a really trying time in the studio during day three of recording. He said Garcia was masterful at getting the band back on track.

"We were sitting outside and John was pacing back and forth. He reminded me of my hockey coach. I thought



Black Mastiff recorded *Music Machine* in the SoCal desert with producer and former Kyuss frontman John Garcia. SUPPLIED

**John has done nothing but cool things for us. He covered our song Rolling Stoned on his solo record that came out last year, and then proceeded to talk about us in every interview.** Clay Shea

we were going to have to skate lines or something. He seemed really mad," Shea said.

"But what proceeded was

the best pep talk ever. He put on the tracks from the day before and said 'Listen to this. Listen to you guys, you're awesome.' It was like

having our own motivational speaker."

Shea, who previously played in Edmonton punk bands Choke and Passenger Action, says Black Mastiff met Garcia after opening for his band Vista Chino. Not only was Garcia a Black Mastiff motivator in the studio, he's been a big advocate of the band.

"John has done nothing but cool things for us," Shea said.

"He covered our song Rolling Stoned on his solo record that came out last year, and then proceeded to talk about us in every interview. It really gave us a lot of exposure."

*Music Machine* was released via New Damage Records on Oct. 9. Black Mastiff plays The Zoo tonight. Black Thunder and Dead Ranch open the show. Tickets are \$10 at the door. Doors open 9 p.m.

## DEAR ROUGE

**Van. duo sees star rapidly rise**

Forget about the Joneses. These days, it's damn hard keeping up with the McTaggarts.

Vancouver husband and wife Drew and Danielle McTaggart, better known as electro-dance duo Dear Rouge, have been on nothing short of a roll.

In less than a year, they were signed to Universal Music Canada and scored several hit singles, including the catchy (and slightly Arcade Fire-esque) title track from their debut album *Black To Gold*.

Drew McTaggart said achieving sudden stardom has been surreal for him and Danielle.

"As an artist you put your all into the writing and recording; but when you release it to the public, they decide if they like it or not. So when those songs get on the radio and people start tweeting us, it is the most satisfying experience," he said.

The band has also reached above three million hits on Spotify. "Streaming has contributed to our success tremendously," said McTaggart.

"The largest impact we have seen is internationally. In Canada people can see a show, buy the record, see us in press, and hear us on the radio. But internationally, streaming has been our first introduction. Most of our streams have come from outside of Canada, which is really cool."

In July, Dear Rouge won the \$10,000 SOCAN Songwriting Prize for their song *I Heard I Had*. The award was a huge deal to them, said McTaggart.

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**MOOSE TO KEEP AN EYE ON THIS SEASON**

The return of AHL hockey to Manitoba sees a keen eye set on the future as Winnipeg Jets general manager Kevin Cheveldayoff continues his draft and develop franchise build. The Manitoba Moose are a very young team, but they are stacked with blue-chip hopefuls and potential unearthed diamonds.

DARRIN BAUMING FOR METRO

**G Connor Hellebuyck**

Widely regarded as the No. 1 goaltending prospect outside of the NHL, the 6-foot-4, 207-pound 22-year-old is coming off his first pro season where he put up a solid .921 save-percentage in 58 games with the St. John's IceCaps. Most impressively, Hellebuyck backstopped the United States to a bronze medal at the 2015 IIHF World Championships, going 7-1 with a pair of shutouts and a sterling .948 save-percentage.

**D Josh Morrissey**

Unable to crack the lineup in his third NHL training camp, the Jets' 13th-overall draft pick in 2013 will continue to polish his game as he enters his first full professional season. The 6-foot, 190-pound puck moving blueliner is a heady player who sees and thinks the game at an elite level. Another Moose D-man to watch from Winnipeg's 2013 draft crop is Jan Kostalek, the QMJHL's top defenceman last season.

**C Chase De Leo**

The 19-year-old may be diminutive at 5-foot-10 and 185 pounds, but the California native plays a big game in the sense of his versatility on the ice, and he doesn't shy away from getting his nose dirty. Fresh off four increasingly productive seasons with the WHL's Portland Winterhawks — last year putting up 39 goals and 45 assists in 67 games — the Jets' fourth-rounder in 2014 is opening eyes as a bit of a diamond in the rough.

**LW Thomas Raffl**

A 29-year-old prospect? Absolutely. The Jets recently signed Raffl to a one-way NHL contract as the native Austrian comes to North America after a decade of pro overseas. Raffl has a big body at 6-foot-4 and 234 pounds, but he can skate and is defensively sound with some scoring touch. He'll likely be one the first call-ups if the big club needs NHL-ready reinforcement.



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**RW Joel Armia**

A part of the multi-piece package the Jets acquired in exchange for Evander Kane and Zach Bogosian, the Buffalo Sabres' 16th-overall pick in the 2011 draft hasn't exactly lived up to the expectations of a former first-rounder. At 6-foot-3 and 205 pounds, Armia is a big and offensively skilled player who will be given every opportunity to excel on a young Moose squad. Other forwards also worth keeping an eye on: J.C. Lipon, Jiri Fronk, and Ryan Olsen.



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# Slain woman had filed for protection

## HOMICIDE

### Selena Keeper told judge being beaten was 'routine'

Five months before she was brutally beaten to death in the rough North End Winnipeg neighbourhood, Selena Keeper

was denied a protection order against her former boyfriend — the same man now accused of killing her.

The 20-year-old spoke by phone May 19 to a justice of the peace based in Brandon, and alleged in a soft, matter-of-fact voice that she had been hit, kicked and beaten regularly by Ray William Everett.

Everett, 20, was charged last week with second-degree murder

when Keeper died after an assault outside a home.

In a recording of the May 19 hearing, Keeper tells justice of the peace Debra Motuz that she was regularly beaten during a two-year relationship with Everett, even while she was pregnant with the couple's child.

"He would always kick me to the corners and try and kick my tummy. He would punch me. It was like an everyday routine."

The couple broke up in 2014, but Everett continued to seek her out, Keeper said. Last December, when the two were drinking together, she was assaulted and police were called, she said.

"I just remember waking up in the hospital with four stitches on my nose — a fractured nose, a bruised face and a concussion."

Keeper filed a sworn affidavit

to support her testimony, but none of the allegations were proven in court.

She also said she was concerned Everett had access to weapons because he belonged to a street gang.

Motuz rejected the application for a protection order, which would have prevented the man from contacting Keeper in any way.

Keeper was found in critical

condition outside a home last Thursday morning. Police said she had been assaulted repeatedly inside the residence and witnesses had attempted to intervene to no avail. She was left outside and later taken to hospital where she died.

Everett was arrested hours later nearby.

He remains in custody and has yet to enter a plea.

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Winnipeg police are looking for this man after a woman was spit on and assaulted on a city bus Oct. 8. WPS

## POLICE INVESTIGATION

### Woman spat upon, assaulted on bus

Police are asking for help identifying a man who allegedly spit on and assaulted a woman on a Winnipeg Transit bus earlier this month.

The 21-year-old woman was talking on her phone while riding a bus on Marion Street around 1:30 p.m. Oct. 8, when she felt something on the back of her head.

She turned around to find an unknown man had spit on her.

Police say the man started yelling and grabbed her hair

so hard she fell out of her seat.

The man continued to assault the woman in the upper body, according to police.

Another passenger eventually pushed the suspect off the bus and told the driver.

The suspect is aboriginal, 45-50 years-old, and roughly five-foot-eight.

Anyone with information on the man's identity is asked to call investigators at 204-986-2868 or Winnipeg CrimeStoppers at 204-786-TIPS.

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## IN BRIEF

### Cabbie robbed and beaten

Winnipeg police have released a photo of a suspect Wednesday who they say beat and robbed a cab driver in the Centennial neighbourhood earlier this month.

The cabbie was dropping off the male suspect in the 600 block of Pacific Avenue around Oct. 4 around 11:30 p.m. when police say the man began assaulting the driver.

The suspect fled after stealing an undisclosed amount of cash, according



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to investigators. Anyone with information about the suspect's identity is asked to call police at 204-986-6649 or Winnipeg CrimeStoppers at 204-786-TIPS.

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**READY TO ENGAGE**

Metro's daily primer on what the parties are saying about the issues that matter to urban Canadians

**Zunera Ishaq is seen after the Federal Court of Appeal heard her case on whether she could wear a niqab while taking her citizenship oath. By characterizing the niqab issue as a matter of aberrant or extreme behaviour, Stephen Harper struck a chord with an "extreme-o-phobic" Canadian public, Rosemary Westwood argues.** PATRICK DOYLE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Canada's cult of moderation

**ROSEMARY WESTWOOD**  
Metro

"Everything in moderation," my grandmother used to say.

My dad says it now, often, reminding me it was his mother's phrase. Perhaps she inherited it, too. It feels so true, I've never questioned it. I doubt either of them did.

It's also a very Canadian thing to say: middle of the road, balanced, offending no one, committing to nothing.

It's the kind idea that underlies our temperament, as Canadians. Our boringness is our strongest asset, we tell ourselves. Our rejection of the extremes means we never stray too far into action, lest it be the wrong kind.

There is no greater Canadian value. It's why we can't get enough of American politics, while feeling smug that we're nowhere near as crazy.

Among other things, the fact that the NDP hasn't governed a country before has played into their sliding poll numbers. People have told me they're not sure what an NDP government would look like. Better to vote for what you know,

than take a chance on what you don't. Moderate change, but not too much.

We approve of immigration, but we don't want anyone too hardline in their beliefs. We value our health care, but we don't really want to talk about all the holes in our system and how un-universal it really is. We care about climate change, but we'd never vote Naomi Klein into office; her ideas are fine in a book — unthinkable on Parliament Hill.

Even our villains, if that's how you see Stephen Harper, are subtler than many. Harper is nowhere near the calibre of a Donald Trump zealot, which isn't to say I don't disagree with many of his policies, but is to say they fall on us with a much lighter touch. In fact,

his careful rightward steering is a perfect picture of moderately plodding your ideological path — so as not to wake the nation.

We may say we've woken, with a kind of anti-Harperism that isn't very Canadian, which is to say, isn't very measured.

The "anyone but Conservative" memes populating my Facebook feed, the high-pitched pleas to "heave Steve!" con-

demn him as un-Canadian, worse than Agent Smith of the Matrix, worse than Scar from the Lion King. Worse than Voldemort.

It's nice to see emotions run high, in a country where they mostly seem to make us uncomfortable. But we have been wrong to blame him for letting a bit of clothing carry the

campaign away.

It's moderation we have to thank for an explosive debate on so-called "Canadian values."

Moderation birthed the niqab madness, not, as so many have been bemoaning, xenophobia. Sure, we have our share of bigotry (Harper himself might have some), but eight in 10 Canadians aren't xenophobic, they're extreme-o-phobic. Harper succeeded in turning the niqab into a week's worth of headlines by framing it not around immigration, but extremism.

I, like you, have been watching the polls. I, like you, have been wondering why a need to define ourselves — what we are — has so dominated this election. It's as if we really hoped a new leader would come along and answer the question, because we do not know.

But Canadians are many things.

We are right, and we are left, and we are so-called old stock, and so-called new, and "we" really only refers to people living in this country, who agree that democracy is good, if we agree on nothing else.

Except, of course, moderation.

## 2015 ELECTION COUNTDOWN

**Rosie Westwood reflects on the key issues.**

- **TUES. Women**
- **WED. Environment**
- **THURS. Canadian values**
- **FRI. Youth engagement**



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## QUICK GUIDE

### SECURITY & CITIZENSHIP

Here's a breakdown of promises and legislative measures from the **NDP**, **Liberals**, **Conservatives** and **Greens**

#### ON BILL C-51

##### **Conservatives:**

- Passed the bill, which outlaws promoting terrorism; gives CSIS new powers; makes it easier to arrest terror suspects; allows 100 agencies to exchange Canadians' confidential information.

##### **Liberals:**

- Promised to amend the bill by limiting to 17 the agencies empowered to exchange confidential info; eliminating CSIS's new powers; adding "sunset clause" on aspects.

##### **NDP:**

- Promised to repeal the bill in its entirety.

##### **Greens:**

- Promised to repeal the bill in its entirety.

#### ON BILL C-24

##### **Conservatives:**

- Passed the bill, which allows the federal government to strip Canadian citizenship from dual citizens convicted of terrorist offences.

##### **Liberals:**

- Promised to repeal the bill.

##### **NDP:**

- Promised to repeal the bill.

##### **Greens:**

- Promised to repeal the bill.

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# Trudeau: Give us a majority

🍁 **ELECTION 2015**

## Liberals look to do what they haven't since Chrétien days

Justin Trudeau is asking Canadians to give his Liberals something they haven't had a taste of in a while: a majority mandate.

The Liberal leader made the comment Wednesday as polls suggest his party has been enjoying some late-campaign momentum and as the scrutiny of Trudeau intensifies in the leadup to Monday's vote.

"I know that Canadians will make the right decision," Trudeau said at Mohawk College when asked about a majority.

"Am I asking Canadians to vote for us? Yes. Am I asking them to vote for us across the country? Yes. Am I asking them for a majority government? Yes."

Several news outlets quickly reported Trudeau's comment, which prompted one of his staffers to point out that his main rivals have also asked for majority governments during the



Justin Trudeau's campaign has been focused on targeting ridings won by both Conservatives and New Democrats in 2011. PAUL CHIASSON/THE CANADIAN PRESS

campaign.

The party sent emails to reporters filled with quotes from both Conservative Leader Stephen Harper and NDP Leader Tom Mulcair asking voters for majorities.

Trudeau has indicated in the past that a Liberal minority wouldn't do, because Canadians want a strong, stable government with MPs from across

the country.

A party must capture at least 170 seats to hold a bare majority in the House of Commons, which will have 338 seats in the next Parliament. The Liberals held just 36 seats at dissolution.

The last time the Liberals won a majority was in the 2000 election, when they were led by Jean Chrétien.

Trudeau was also asked Wed-

nesday how he would stay in power if he wins a minority mandate and whether he would be prepared to work with Mulcair if the Tories earn a minority.

One of the great things about elections is that Canadians get to choose what their government is and what their Parliament will look like, he responded.

"What Canadians don't want is politicians organizing back-

## WHERE THE LEADERS ARE THURSDAY



• **Stephen Harper** will be in Trois-Rivières, Que.

• **Justin Trudeau** will be in Quebec in Montreal, Laval and Sainte-Thérèse.

• **Tom Mulcair** will be in Quebec in Alma, Cookshire-Eaton and Sherbrooke.

• **Elizabeth May** will be in Guelph, Ont.

“I know that Canadians will make the right decision.”

Justin Trudeau

room deals around who actually gets to wield power,” Trudeau said.

“I trust Canadians. I know that Canadians are going to make a real and strong choice on Oct. 19.”

In recent days, the Liberal campaign has been focused on

targeting ridings won by both Conservatives and New Democrats in the 2011 election.

On Wednesday, Trudeau's tour blitzed the Niagara Peninsula and the Toronto suburbs with whistle-stop events as part of a push one of his staffers described as being “on offence.”

At each stop, the Liberal leader is greeted by hundreds of boisterous supporters.

At times, partisans have jostled — sometimes aggressively — in packed restaurants, bakeries and bars just for a chance to get a selfie with Trudeau, his autograph or even a handshake.

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# Generation shunned

ELECTION 2015

## Major parties offer a pittance to nation's young adults

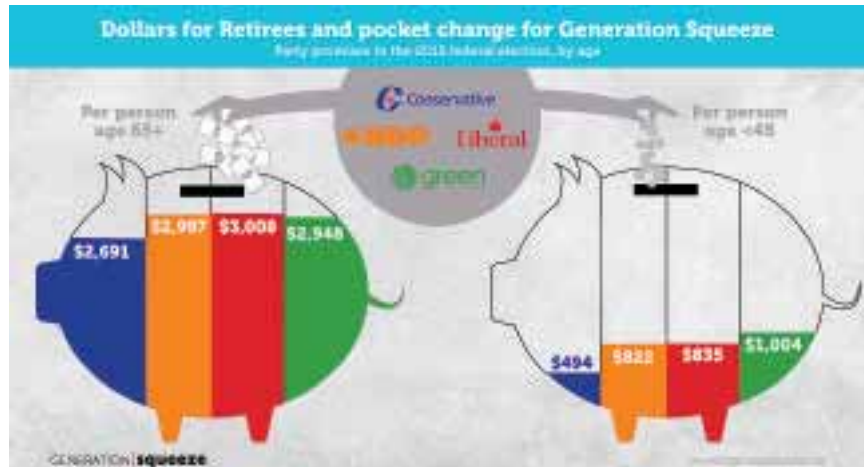


**Matt Kieltka**  
Metro | Vancouver

All four major federal parties are throwing mere “pocket change” at young voters, according to a new Generation Squeeze report comparing election platforms.

Despite the fact seniors will make up just 18 per cent of Canada's population in 2019, the Conservatives, Liberals, NDP and Greens have all pledged to boost between \$18 to \$20 billion in new funding for items like Old Age Security, income supplements, benefits, seniors care and health-care transfers to provinces.

Meanwhile, the Conservatives have pledged just 18 cents on issues that affect young adults for every dollar they spend on seniors.



**All four national parties plan to spend “pocket change” on people under the age of 45 when compared to spending on seniors, a new study finds.** CONTRIBUTED

The NDP's platform increases that to 27 cents for every dollar that goes to seniors, 28 under the Liberals and 34 cents from the Greens.

And that's at a time when adults under the age of 45 make up 55 per cent of the population, face higher unemployment rates, mounting debt and — for the first time — a deteriorating standard of living.

Generation Squeeze founder Dr. Paul Kershaw, of the University of British Columbia's School of Population & Public Health, believes the funding gap between generations stems from society's ongoing efforts to improve senior care and poverty since the '70s and the lack of political engagement by youth. “Young Canadians are just simply less involved in the political world,” said Kershaw.

Generation Squeeze recommends government spend an additional \$1,000 for every person under the age of 45.

Currently, the government spends \$20,868 on average for each of the 5.8 million Canadians aged 65 and up, compared to \$4,349 each for the 20.1 million people under age 45, according to the report.

## ENVIRONMENT

## Parties graded on climate change

Only the NDP and Green Parties have promised to put a price on carbon and have set long-term emissions targets, according to the David Suzuki Foundation.

The environmental organization releases its 2015 party platform cheat sheet on Thursday, which shows where every national party stands on 20 climate change issues.

According to the guide, only the Liberals have not committed to any specific emission reduction targets (the Conservatives want to lower emissions 14.4 per cent by 2030, while the NDP and Green have set a 2050 target of 80 per cent).

The Greens and NDP are the

only parties to commit to protecting the right to live in a healthy environment in law.

The Conservatives are the only party to support all major proposed energy projects: Keystone XL (which the Liberals also support), Energy East and Kinder Morgan's Trans Mountain pipeline (NDP and Liberals have taken no official stance on either) and Northern Gateway (all other parties are opposed).

Every party except for the Conservatives has also promised to end fossil fuel subsidies, ban oil tankers on B.C.'s coast, and establish a Parliamentary science officer.

MATT KIELTYKA/METRO IN VANCOUVER

## IN BRIEF

## Sewage plans backing up

The federal government is “irresponsible and negligent” to have ordered a halt to Montreal's plans to begin construction work that would see eight billion litres of raw sewage dumped into the St. Lawrence River, Mayor Denis Coderre said Wednesday.

Coderre said Ottawa's decision “makes no sense” and puts the city's water-treatment infrastructure in jeopardy. Infrastructure Minister Denis Lebel made the announcement earlier on Wednesday on behalf of Environment Minister Leona Aglukkaq.

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# Child migrants aided

GERMANY

## 'Welcome classes' set up for kids in huge wave of refugees

Fadi and Fadiya started school in Berlin last month not knowing a word of German.

The 9-year-old twins from Syria are among nearly 400,000 children among a wave of up to 1 million migrants and refugees expected in Germany this year alone.

All around the country, schools have added extra teachers and "welcome classes" to teach kids like Fadi and Fadiya the basics of German before they are integrated into regular classrooms about six to eight months later.

As a new school year began last month, Berlin's schools saw non-German speaking children jump by 70 per cent. There are now 478 welcome classes in the capital alone for roughly 5,000 children.

Fadi and his sister Fadiya were among 20 new arrivals from 11 countries in the wel-



The word "Willkommensklasse" (Welcome Class) is displayed at an elementary school in Berlin last week. MARKUS SCHREIBER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

come class offered by an elementary school.

The children ages 6 to 12 came from Syria, Iraq, Egypt, Libya, Bosnia, Serbia, Bulgaria, Turkey, Korea, Ghana and the U.S.

Not all were refugees. Some, for example, were children of parents who had relocated to

Germany for work.

"Some of those kids have never seen a school from the inside because they spent years hiding in basements from bombs," said principal Irina Wissmann.

"But we're trying to get them used to our routines as quickly as possible — it's the best

thing that can happen to them right now."

Many of the children present special challenges.

"We had one child who would hide under the desk during the lesson and scream in panic, scaring off all the other kids as well," Wissmann said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHINA

## Ancient teeth shed light on man's roots

Dozens of fossil human teeth from a cave in China show that people lived in southern Asia more than 80,000 years ago, researchers report.

Before this, the earliest well-dated fossils firmly linked to our species in southern Asia were only around 45,000 years old.

Our species, Homo sapiens, is thought to have appeared in Africa around 200,000 years ago and later spread to other continents. The details of that dispersal are still murky.

The discovery in China's Hunan province argues against a theory that the first wave reached southern Asia only about 60,000 years ago.

The finding may mean that people arrived in multiple waves, said Maria Martinon-Torres of University College London, a study author.

She and authors from China and elsewhere reported the discovery of 47 teeth in the journal Nature on Wednesday.

They could not date the teeth directly, but analysis of nearby mineral samples and animal fossils indicated the teeth are somewhere between 80,000 and 120,000 years old.



Human lower teeth found in the Fuyan Cave southern China. S. XING/NATURE VIA THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The finding raises the question of why our species didn't enter Europe until only about 40,000 to 45,000 years ago. Maybe Neanderthals crowded them out, basically out-competing them as hunter-gatherers until their populations started to fade, the researchers suggest.

In a journal commentary, Robin Dennell of the University of Exeter in England suggests that cold winters might be a better explanation.

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### IN BRIEF

#### Condition of Ebola nurse worsening, hospital says

London's Royal Free Hospital says the condition of a nurse being treated for complications resulting from Ebola has worsened. The hospital said in a statement Wednesday that Pauline Cafferkey is now critically ill after her condition deteriorated.

Cafferkey was treated for Ebola after returning from Sierra Leone last year. She was released from the hospital in January but she suffered a relapse last week. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

#### Ethiopia calling for help after rains devastate crops

Ethiopia's government is calling for international assistance to help feed 8.2 million people after erratic rains devastated crop yields.

More than 300,000 children are in need of specialized nutritious food and a projected 48,000 more children under 5 are suffering from severe malnutrition, according to a government assessment conducted in September. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

PALESTINIANS MONITORED

## Israel calls in troops

The Israeli military began deploying hundreds of troops in cities across the country on Wednesday to assist police forces in countering a wave of deadly Palestinian shooting and stabbing attacks that have created panic across the country.

The military's planned deployment of six companies marks the first implementation of measures by Israel's security cabinet to counter the attacks that have intensified dramatically in recent days.

The cabinet met late into the night and announced steps early Wednesday that included allowing police to seal off points of friction or incitement.

Many of the recent attackers have come from Arab areas of Jerusalem, prompting calls to seal off those neighbourhoods. In a new step, Israeli forces placed makeshift checkpoints in Palestinian neighbourhoods in Jerusalem to monitor traffic leaving the areas.

The cabinet also decided to strip residency rights and demolish homes of some attackers and draft hundreds more security guards to secure public transport. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CALIFORNIA

## Trio charged in Quebecer's slaying

Three transients appeared in court Wednesday charged with killing and robbing a Canadian backpacker and a yoga instructor days apart in California.

Morrison Haze Lampley, 23, Sean Michael Angold, 24, and Lila Scott Alligood, 18, did not enter pleas Wednesday. They were arrested in Portland, Ore., last week.

Lampley, accused of pulling the trigger of a stolen gun in both killings, yawned frequently as the trio was assigned court-appointed attorneys.

The three are charged with shooting backpacker Audrey Carey, 23, from Quebec, in the head.

Her body was found Oct. 3 in San Francisco's Golden Gate Park, where officials believed she had camped during a three-day music festival.

They also are accused of killing Steve Carter, 67, while he walked his dog along a popular hiking trail in Marin County, 32 kilometres north of the city. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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## EU vexed with David Cameron

### POLITICS

#### Leaders say PM hasn't laid out proposed changes

European Union leaders say they are increasingly frustrated that British Prime Minister David Cameron has not made concrete proposals on reform of the bloc despite all Britain's talk of possibly leaving unless there is fundamental change.

On the eve of a summit of EU leaders where the issue is expected to be only lightly touched upon, EU Commission President Jean-Claude Juncker told the EU Parliament Wednesday that "I can't say that huge progress has been achieved."

Juncker insisted he wants Britain to remain in the EU but added that "to tango, it takes two. So we have to

dance, and our British friends have to dance."

Cameron set out in May to change the way the EU is run and wants to cut the EU's political powers over member states.

He plans to hold a national vote before the end of 2017 on whether Britain should leave the EU — a possibility that has come to be known as a Brexit.

Ahead of Thursday's summit, Cameron and Juncker will have lunch together as part of a grand tour by the British leader to European capitals to feel out what reforms could be put on the table.

The EU institutions and several member states want to forge ahead and are eagerly awaiting for Britain comes up with its demands, so it is clear to everyone where any reform should be, said one diplomat from an EU nation, who spoke on condition of



**To tango, it takes two. So we have to dance, and our British friends have to dance**

EU Commission President  
Jean-Claude Juncker

anonymity because talks were set for Thursday.

Britain wants to touch on fundamental social and financial legislation and agreements between member states and make sure nations regain more autonomous decision-making at the expense of EU institutions.

After the summit, Cameron is expected to continue bilateral meetings with fellow leaders to have a firm discussion on the future of the bloc at the December EU summit.

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David Cameron listens to Jean-Claude Juncker in Brussels. Cameron says he would like to reduce the political powers the EU has over member states. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

### ANIMALS

#### Meerkat expert fined for monkey handler assault

A former meerkat expert at London Zoo has been ordered to pay compensation to a monkey handler she attacked with a wine glass in a love spat over a llama-keeper.

A judge at Westminster Magistrates' Court said Wednesday that Caroline Westlake must pay U.S. \$1,235 to Kate Sanders for assaulting her in a dispute over colleague Adam Davies, who had dated both women.

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#### Dozens more elephants killed in Zimbabwe

Rangers in Zimbabwe's Hwange National Park have discovered the carcasses of 26 elephants at two locations, dead of cyanide poisoning, along with 14 other elephants who were found last week, officials said Wednesday.

Patrolling rangers discovered the carcasses Tuesday, according to Bhejani Trust and the National Parks and Wildlife Management Authority.

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# Iran moving troops: Official

**SYRIA**  
**Russian cover allows Assad supporters in, sources say**

Iran has sent hundreds of troops into northern and central Syria in the first such open deployment in the country's civil war, joining fighters from its Lebanese ally Hezbollah in an offensive against rebels and taking advantage of cover from Russia's air campaign, a regional official and Syrian activists said Wednesday.

Their arrival is almost certain to fuel the civil war in Syria, which has already claimed the lives of more than 250,000 people and displaced half of the country's population. It also highlights the far-reaching goals of Russia's military involvement in Syria.

Russia began carrying out airstrikes in Syria on Sept. 30, and Syrian troops and allied militiamen began a ground offensive against rebels in central Syria a week later. Russia says its airstrikes are meant to weaken the Islamic State group (ISIL) and other terrorists in Syria, but West-



**A Lebanese boy holds a placard depicting Russian foreign minister Sergey Lavrov that reads, "Assad or we burn the country," during a sit-in in front the Russian embassy, in Beirut, Lebanon, Wednesday.** HUSSEIN MALLA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ern officials and Syrian rebels say most the strikes have focused on areas in central and northern Syria where the extremist group does not have a strong presence.

The arrival of Iranian troops fighting under the cover of Russian air power further strength-

ens the view that Russia's main goal is to shore up Syrian President Bashar Assad's embattled government.

"Sending more troops from Hezbollah, and Iran only increases the shelf life of the Syrian regime, which is destined to end,"

Maj. Jamil Saleh, the leader of Tajammu Alezzah, a CIA-backed Free Syrian Army faction, said. "It will only add more destruction and displacement."

He said their presence on the ground is not new, but was kept quiet. "Now they are taking cover

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**Sending more troops from Hezbollah, and Iran only increases the shelf life of the Syrian regime.**  
Maj. Jamil Saleh

behind Russia since it is a superpower and strengthens their position," Alezzah said.

The official, who has deep knowledge of operational details in Syria, said the Iranian fighters — currently numbering around 1,500 — began arriving in Syria about two weeks ago, after the Russian airstrikes began, and have accelerated in recent days. The Iranian-backed Hezbollah group has also sent a fresh wave of fighters to Syria, he said.

He said the Iranian fighters were arriving at Damascus airport and transported to a military base in the coastal town of Latakia from where they were deploying on the ground.

He spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to discuss military affairs. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## IN BRIEF

### Appeal for new probe into plane crash

Russia has appealed to the International Civil Aviation Organization to open a new probe into last year's downing of Malaysia Airlines Flight 17 over eastern Ukraine, the chief of the Russian aviation agency said Wednesday.

The Boeing 777 crashed on July 17, 2014, in the middle of a military conflict between Russia-backed separatists and Ukrainian government forces.

The Dutch Safety Board said in its final report released on Tuesday that the jet was destroyed by a Soviet-made surface-to-air missile. Two-thirds of the 298 people who died were Dutch. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

### Putin chides officials for delays in space centre construction

Russian President Vladimir Putin on Wednesday chided officials for a four-month delay in building a sprawling space centre in the remote Far East, which has been dogged by corruption scandals. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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The Ashley Madison breach is a wake-up call for companies about digital vulnerabilities, experts say. THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Companies seek cyber-insurance

## PROTECTION

### Data security third-biggest risk in Canada, survey finds

In the wake of the Ashley Madison hack and other high-profile data breaches, Canadian companies are turning to so-called cyber insurance to protect themselves from the fallout of data leaks.

The ensuing class-action lawsuit — and adultery website founder and CEO Noel Biderman's decision to step down in late August — were the latest in a series of incidents that experts say represent a wake-up call for executives about the real-world consequences of digital vulnerabilities.

Duncan Stewart, director of technology research at Deloitte, said the past year has seen a surge in awareness

about cyberattacks, and companies are turning to insurers to prepare for what seems an inevitability in an increasingly interconnected world.

"The number of attacks are rising, the severity is rising, and when they come, they're more difficult to deal with," he said.

There is no legal requirement for companies to report a hack in Canada, making the true number difficult to determine, but security company Websense said in August 2014 that 36 per cent of Canadian businesses had observed a breach in their IT security in the last 12 months.

In a KPMG survey of Canadian property insurance executives, data security even beat

out unexpected catastrophic events as the third-biggest risk facing Canadian companies in 2015 after regulatory burdens and low interest rates.

Stewart compared significant breaches like the Ashley Madison hack to automobile collisions that result in a total write-off, yet he said companies also require coverage for the small attacks and fender-benders of cybersecurity that happen far more often.

Insurance against cyberattacks is now just a part of the cost of doing business, he said. "You wouldn't have a factory and not have fire insurance, so why would you think about not having cyber insurance?"

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**“The number of attacks are rising, the severity is rising, and when they come, they're more difficult to deal with.”**

Duncan Stewart

## IN BRIEF

### Shopify using Uber to deliver its packages

Shopify and Uber are working together to offer same-day local delivery starting in three major U.S. cities. The UberRUSH program will be initially available to a select number of Shopify's merchant clients in New York City, Chicago and San Francisco but it's expected to go to other cities over time.

Ottawa-based Shopify says merchants will be able to provide their customers with the option of requesting an Uber pickup and delivery — which can be tracked with an app.

Its Uber deal follows a partnership last month with Amazon.

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## SHOPPING

### Competition hurts Walmart's profits

Walmart stock had its biggest one-day drop in nearly three decades after the world's largest retailer said it's bracing for its profit to take a hit as it works to fend off competition.

The company is forecasting its profit to fall by as much as 12 per cent next year as it perks up customer service and adapts to changing shopping habits.

The disappointing guidance comes as the company, Walmart Stores Inc., works to fix its U.S. business amid pressure from rivals including traditional grocers, dollar stores and Amazon.com. At its annual

meeting in New York City Wednesday, CEO Doug McMillon sought to reassure investors the company is transforming to keep up with a changing retail landscape.

Under McMillon, Walmart has accelerated the openings of smaller stores, which tend to be more conveniently located and let customers get in and out faster. On Wednesday, it said it was expanding its online grocery with free pickup to 10 additional markets, making the service available in a total of 20 markets in the U.S.

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CEO Doug McMillon sought to reassure investors at its annual meeting in New York City on Wednesday that Walmart is transforming to compete with rivals. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

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## CHANTAL HÉBERT: ON A STABLE HOUSE OF COMMONS



“Trudeau is — at campaign's end — better positioned than Stephen Harper to craft a viable minority government.

With the wind at his back in the last week of the campaign, Liberal Leader Justin Trudeau is asking voters to give his party a majority on Monday. To measure what a feat that would be, consider that to reach the magic majority number of 170, the Liberals — with 36 MPs at dissolution — would have to more than quadruple their seats next week.

A leap of that magnitude may turn out not to be in the cards but Trudeau is — at campaign's end — better positioned than Stephen Harper to craft a viable minority government.

The poll numbers tell only part of the story.

With just five days to go in the campaign, it is easier to project a Conservative defeat than a majority victory.

Three polls this week pegged Harper's party more than 10 points behind the Liberals in Ontario and trailing by five to seven points nationally.

With those numbers, the Conservatives would need most three-way local battles to break their way to eke out a narrow minority win on Monday. And that victory could amount to little more than a pit stop en route to the opposition benches, or to another election.

Citing irreconcilable policy differences with the Conservatives, the other parties have all pre-emptively warned they would bring down a Harper-led minority government at the first opportunity.

In short, such a government would be dead on arrival in the House of Commons.

By comparison, a Liberal minority government would not have to look all that hard to find enough opposition

support to survive and to implement most of its platform.

Yes, there is plenty of animosity between the Liberals and their rivals — in particular the NDP — but as Harper himself demonstrated twice, reciprocal affection is not a precondition to a stable parliamentary relationship.

Having foreclosed the option of keeping Harper in power, the NDP would have little alternative but to do what it takes to make the Liberal alternative work.

In most instances, that would involve the New Democrats putting water into their wine or, in this case, putting wine in the water of their cautious platform.

The two parties disagree on fiscal policy.

Mulcair spent the campaign

preaching the need to balance the federal budget each and every year of the next mandate. Trudeau is planning to run deficits for three years.

But would many New Democrat voters truly want their party to bring down a Liberal government for running deficits and spending more on Canada's social and physical infrastructure?

And what of Trudeau's plan to cut off the federal child benefits of high-income families to redistribute the money to the less wealthy ones? Would the NDP really hold a parliamentary knife to the throat of a minority government in the name of the more well-off Canadians?

The line in the NDP/Liberal sand rarely gets deeper than on the issue of C-51, the Con-

servatives' controversial anti-terrorism legislation. Mulcair has vowed to scrap it while Trudeau — whose party voted for its adoption — has promised to improve it.

It is unlikely that a minority Liberal government would stake its survival on getting its amendments to C-51 through Parliament. But would the NDP oppose corrective amendments such as the introduction of parliamentary oversight of Canada's security services, if the alternative was to leave unchanged the law passed under the Conservatives?

Mulcair has made it clear that no amount of Senate reform can reconcile his party with the continued existence of the institution.

Fair enough, but Trudeau does not need the support of another party to set up an arms-length process to select the future members of the upper house. The way a prime minister goes about getting advice for Senate appointments is left to his discretion.

If he were prime minister, Mulcair would scrap the just-negotiated Trans-Pacific Partnership. Trudeau has kept his options open, subject to the fine print of the deal.

But a Liberal minority government would not need the NDP to ratify the TPP, for it could count on Conservative support to do so.

Finding enough common ground to defeat a minority Liberal government would not come easily to the New Democrats and the Conservatives, or at least not for a while.

**Chantal Hébert** is a national affairs writer. Her column appears in Metro every Thursday.

## metroview

### In Fahmy case, Harper prioritized politics ahead of human rights



**Steven Zhou**  
For Metro

The return of journalist Mohamed Fahmy to Canada this week after 400 days in an Egyptian prison couldn't have been timelier.

It's a reminder that Canadians should think about how much their candidates really care about human rights when they head to the polls in less than a week's time. Fahmy, a former Al Jazeera English journalist, isn't happy at all with the way Stephen Harper's administration handled his situation. And he's right to say that the Tories could have done a lot more for him.

Along with two colleagues, Fahmy was arrested in December 2013 for what are now widely denounced terror-related charges. He said in his first press conference in Canada that he felt “betrayed and abandoned” by his own government as the Harper administration dragged its feet.

Fahmy's best chance at freedom was for Harper to personally intervene at the highest level, but it wasn't until he was recently sentenced to three more years in prison (in another Egyptian show-trial) did the Canadian government truly step in on his behalf. By then, Fahmy had already spent hundreds of days in jail.

The Harper government isn't the only one that allows politics and ideology to infringe on its theoretical commitment to human rights. Its reluctance to accept Syrian refugees in a timely way is

another good example. But the Fahmy case boiled the situation down to one person, one face, and showed how the administration wasn't much interested in advocating speedily for one of its own citizens.

The Egyptian government under Abdel Fattah el-Sisi was gaining notoriety at the time of Fahmy's arrest (right after toppling the elected government of the Muslim Brotherhood's Mohamed Morsi) for locking up anyone who publicly disagreed with the administration. The arrest was clearly a violation of freedom of speech and of the press. But Prime Minister Harper wasn't interested even in knocking off such low-hanging fruit.

It's worth asking what this all means for a Canada that's lost a lot of international standing during the Harper years, and has become all bark and no bite when it comes to human rights. It's become more and more obvious that the Canadian government is focused narrowly on denouncing its international rivals while bolstering its allies — all with little attention paid to the actual human consequences.

The Fahmy case was open and shut, according to Canadian Journalists For Free Expression, but the Harper administration treated it like some unapproachable gray area involving complex politicking. This only adds to the Tories' track record of bizarrely ideological foreign policy.

**Steven Zhou** is a Toronto-based journalist and editor. He tweets at @stevenzzhou.

## THE MICROTREND: Dripping with deceit



The world's gem giants are worried the diamond industry's reputation might lose some of its shine in a market flooded with fakes. In a panicky presentation this week at the World Diamond Council meeting in Moscow, dealers were warned about clever copies that are either entirely lab-made or created by combining diamond cores or coatings with inferior bits of plastic, glass or cubic zirconia. In many cases, the imposters are getting mixed in with real jewels from large and well known companies. Jangling the alarm about this troubling trend was the president of the partially state-owned Russian diamond miner ALROSA, which produces a quarter of the world's (real) diamonds. SOURCE: CNBC

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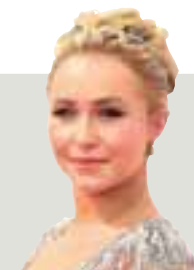
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## Big ideas in a small package

### HISTORY

#### A 20th century retrospective provides hints to our future



**Mike Donachie**  
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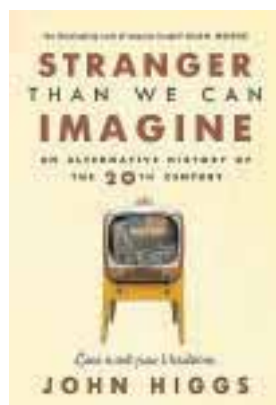
Ask John Higgs why he took some of the most mind-bending concepts of 100 years and shaped them into a retelling of the 20th century, and that's the reply.

Higgs is the writer behind *Stranger Than We Can Imagine: An Alternative History of the 20th Century*. Rarely have so many big ideas been crammed into one book. It's an ambitious project.

Higgs, who's from Brighton, England, has created a roadmap of the cultural and technological advances that brought us to the modern world.

"The purpose of this is to make sense of now," explains Higgs over coffee during a visit to Toronto.

"The 20th century is obviously the century we know most



about. It shouldn't be strange to us. But the narrative we all know — the Second World War, Hiroshima, the Cold War, the Berlin Wall — that's not how it should be told.

"For some reason, that doesn't seem to lead into the world we now know, with tsunamis of information."

The difference between the 20th century and the 19th, Higgs suggests, is that 19th-century discoveries are easier to understand. Great feats of physical engineering or medical breakthroughs are impressive and accessible for an ordinary person.

The greatest ideas of the 20th century are more challenging, he argues. It's "off-putting, bewildering and slightly inhuman" to try to grasp ideas like quantum mechanics.

Higgs decided to explain those huge concepts, and link them in the story of a century.

"It's the most radical ideas that make no sense at all at the time," Higgs says. "They were the ideas that were on the edge, but they all seemed to be pointing in the same direction. When you tie them all together they make sense together."

And Higgs admits he tried to avoid mentioning politicians. "Politicians don't invent the Internet," he says.

"They don't change our society. They just sit at the top and take the credit."

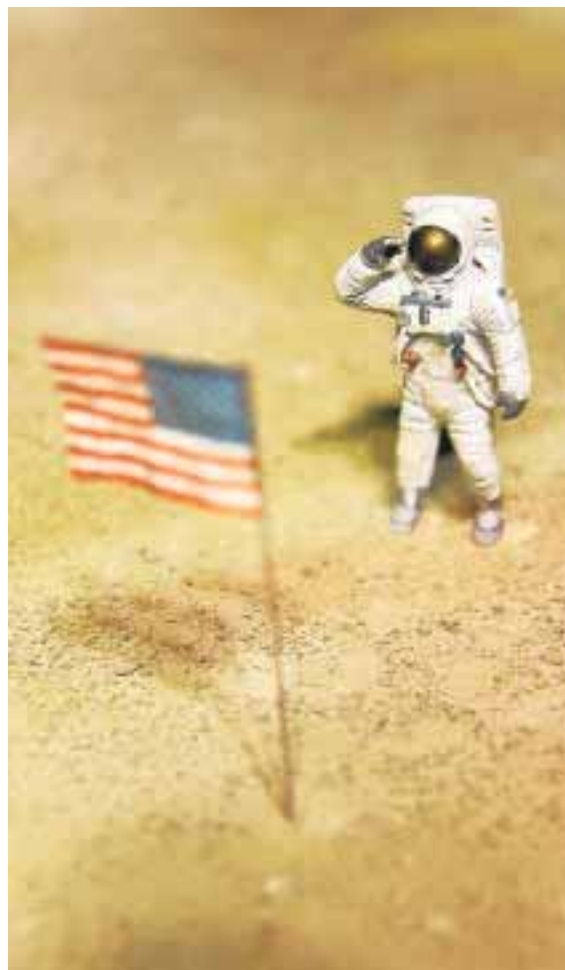
*Stranger Than We Can Imagine* begins with relativity, then explains modern art, individualism, nihilism, the space race, chaos theory and more. It's brain-bursting stuff, but worth the effort.

But the real purpose of tracking a century of ideas was to look at what's coming in the 21st century.

Spoiler: Higgs thinks we're looking at a bright future because of changes in how we see ourselves, and that's all rooted in those big, 20th-century ideas.

"Getting your head around the past 100 years will change how the modern world appears to you," he smiles.

"You will see it with different eyes."



**Who won the space race? In his book, John Higgs says it was the Soviets. But the U.S., despite being left behind for years, went on to win the cultural battle by landing men on the Moon.**

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### PERSONALITIES

#### Cast of characters

John Higgs avoided mentioning politicians in his history book, but does talk about some of the 20th century's most fascinating individuals, including:



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## BOOK EXCERPT HOCKEY MOMS: REALITIES FROM THE RINK, BY JULIE BERTUZZI

## ‘She’s unafraid to insult any player’



Julie Bertuzzi, wife of NHL player Todd Bertuzzi, has taken the observations she's gleaned from years of experience as a hockey mom to write 20 droll sketches of the fellow moms who lived at the rinks and in the minivan to support their kids in their hockey dreams.

In this excerpt, we meet Big Mouth Betty, one of the “20 women you already know.”

It only takes one listen, and after that you will instantly recognize Big Mouth Betty, anytime, anywhere. Her distinctive shriek can be heard the moment you enter the rink's lobby. She is the mom who acts like she's played a thousand games in the NHL, even though she has never actually worn a pair of skates. Or, if she has played the game, she likely gained all of her hockey knowledge during her old college days. She just doesn't know that the game has changed dramatically since the 1990s. Perhaps she's learned everything she knows in the lobbies of the great many arenas she has seen. She may even have taught herself by watching NHL network game highlights over breakfast. Whatever odd place is the source of her hockey wisdom, she's certainly not shy in telling you all about it. She takes over most conversations, and she is always right when it comes to the game of hockey. There's no point even trying

to talk hockey with Big Mouth Betty because you will never be right — unless, that is, she agrees with you.

This Hockey Mom always stands with the same circle: either with the ladies who are used to her or with her own children, who have no choice but to hang out with her at the rink. Sometimes you will see her with that one nice mom who just accepts everybody, but most of the team parents try to avoid her. Even her own husband tries to get out of going to the games with her. Or he chooses to stand by the glass, on the opposite side of the rink, so he can't hear her yakking.

One difference between Big Mouth Betty and other Hockey Moms is that most moms don't want to be “that parent” constantly in the coach's face express-

ing one or several opinions on every matter. But because Betty is such a hockey guru, the other parents quite often suggest to her that she take her beef about the team's business to the coach. She can also be “loud” on email, sending out “reply alls” with her comments on the previous night's game. These are a little easier to ignore.

Like the Drama Queen, this mom can be heard throughout the game. But unlike the Drama Queen, who's busy waving her arms in the air, Big Mouth Betty keeps active by constantly colouring the play. At times she feels she really needs to help coach, after all. And this is no act. She truly can't help herself. So she steps right into Coach Mom's role and calls

out the next line rotation or screams at her kid to get his head out of his ass so that he can see the play. Worse, she's unafraid to insult any player on the ice: forward, defence, or goalie. She yells at refs, she shouts at linesmen, and she has been known to holler at other moms too. She gets especially fired up at dirty plays, so much so that other moms sometimes have to relocate to different seats in the middle of a period.

Quick tip ladies: always be the last to the bleachers. Let Big Mouth Betty get in first and stake out her area, and then you can find a different place to sit. And one last word of advice: limit this woman to one large coffee, as caffeine is the last thing she needs. God forbid she has a beer or a glass of red before a game.

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# Burning issues of 1970s New York

## INTERVIEW

### Contemporary concerns dramatized in city on the brink

Sue Carter  
For Metro Canada



On Tuesday night, the incomparable Patti Smith regaled a sold-out crowd at Toronto's Design Exchange with personal stories from her new memoir, *M Train*.

Smith, the poetically minded matriarch of New York's 1970s punk scene, is synonymous with the gritty toughness of that era, so it comes as no surprise that her music makes an appearance in Garth Risk Hallberg's sprawling 944-page debut novel *City On Fire*.

Like Smith, 36-year-old Hallberg came to New York to be among like-minded artists and writers. In 2003, while on a bus heading into the city, listening to Billy Joel's ode to the Big Apple, Miami 2017, he had a vision for his novel.

"I knew this was the book I have to write," he says.

For the next 10 years during off-hours from his day job as a journalist, Hallberg created the world that would become *City on Fire*, an epic story that should resonate with those who

actually hung out at CBGB and those who show their affinity by wearing vintage Ramones t-shirts.

Mostly set in 1977 prior to New York's notorious blackout and subsequent violence, *City on Fire* revolves around the unsolved murder of an East Village teenager named Sam. The novel quickly introduces a large cast of characters, all of whom are tangibly connected, but whose personal dreams and socio-economic, political and sexual identities offer original perspectives on life in the city.

Since news of Hallberg's novel grabbed attention for its publisher bidding war (Doubleday Canada publishes it here) and a staggering reported \$2-million advance, *City of Fire* has been scrutinized by some media, suggesting its setting represents misplaced nostalgia for a time when drugs, poverty and crime reigned. But Hallberg says nostalgia is exactly what he was trying to avoid, "at least so far as it involves the flattening or sentimentalizing of the past," he says.

While Hallberg "adores" books like the Hillary Mantel's *Thomas Cromwell* tome *Wolf Hall*, he didn't set out to write a historical novel, either. What he found in the squalor of 1970s New York was "a place where I could dramatize the burning issues that still affect us years later: class, sexuality, race, questions of humanity and self-expression," he says.

"These are all very contemporary concerns."

As he was writing the first draft and before any fact-checking, Hallberg realized he was already intuitively aware of so much of the story's ethos. Growing up in North Carolina, he recalls listening as a small child to political conversations among the grown-ups. By the time he was 17, he had developed a group of friends

five hours away in Washington, D.C., who introduced him to underground zine culture. Originally he planned to dedicate a chapter in the book to Sam's diary, but instead, readers get inside her thoughts via a scrappy cut-and-pasted zine. Hallberg says, "Sam is so much me. Her voice is mine."

And then there's the music, which plays like an undercurrent throughout the book. All

the touchstones, like Smith, are there, but Hallberg, who performed in a band and boasts 18,000 songs on his iPod, captures that timeless youthful exhilaration of watching favourite bands in sweaty clubs, unsure of how the night is going to end. Hallberg says, "That's the world where I grew up."

Sue Carter is the editor at Quill & Quire magazine.



Journalist and author Garth Risk Hallberg's debut novel started a bidding war that saw him bag a reported \$2-million advance. HANDOUT

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# A room with a view

Tech Mogul Zach Klein decided to build a cabin in the woods in upstate New York. His book *Cabin Porn* is less about the exterior envelope, and more about finding your inner Walden Pond. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE



## ▲ Linescio, Switzerland

A 200-year-old stacked stone home. Outside it is ancient and enduring, an untouched ruin. Inside, it is a tribute to Mies van der Rohe, a sculpture of poured concrete. It is the kind of building that author Zach Klein would call "Made by hand, but fashioned with imagination."



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## ▲ Huon Valley, Tasmania

Ultimately, this cabin is about functionality. The jutting solar panels provide electricity. It isn't pretty, but it will get you through the winter. The foundation of a good cabin? Start with the cast iron wood burning stove. Life will fall into place.



## ▲ 30 feet in the air

Ethan Schulussler has built his elevated cabin with thoughts of flight. The Sandpoint, Idaho, structure is both whimsical and practical, sporting a pedal-powered bicycle elevator and a suspension walkway. "I did no research whatsoever," he says of his design. The lack of inquiry paid off. The clean-lined structure composed of western larch, is a modernist miracle, a dream abode in the sky. Just add balloons.



## ▲ The City Cabin

This cabin on Bell Avenue in Chicago is admittedly, more tree house than living quarters. But talk about possibility. Infill and lane housing are touted as the solution to intense urbanization. And in some areas like Toronto, where the average detached home is now a million dollars, some enterprising realtor will list this as the perfect in-law suite.

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## GOSSIP BRIEFS

## Miley plans to perform nude

Want to see Miley Cyrus — and the Flaming Lips — perform totally naked? Well, first off that's an oddly specific fantasy. And secondly, you're in luck! But there's a catch: You have to be naked, too.



"(Cyrus) is planning a show where her, the band (us) and the audience are all completely naked with milk — well, white stuff that looks like milk — being spewed everywhere," Flaming Lips ringleader Wayne Coyne spilled

on Instagram. "It's a video (in the works) for (Miley and Her Dead Pets) song The Milky Milky Milk." NED EHRBAR/METRO HOLLYWOOD

## Klum talks single mom status

Heidi Klum is opening up about life as a single mom

some four years after her divorce from Seal, and things aren't really that different.

"Obviously things have changed, but they haven't changed drastically," she tells Redbook. "He was never your typical dad who left for work in the morning with his briefcase and would be home by dinnertime every night. He

travelled a lot. The kids knew it was part of his job. I'm a mom and a dad at the same time."

On men in general: "Women are capable of juggling a lot of balls — we do things that guys just cannot do. Men typically can juggle only one ball," she jokes. "A lot of them have a very hard time just trying to figure out what

to do with that one ball. And often they want us to hold that one, too!"

I'm just going to leave it at that. NED EHRBAR/METRO HOLLYWOOD



## Lamar Odom on life support

## TRAGEDY

## After life a of struggle, Odom fights for his life

Lamar Odom, the NBA star and reality TV personality embraced by teammates and fans for his humble approach to fame, was on life support Wednesday, his estranged wife Khloe Kardashian by his side. Odom was found unresponsive after four days in a brothel, and authorities sought a warrant for blood evidence of drugs.

Hospital officials would not comment on the condition of the 35-year-old former Los Angeles Laker, who was found face down at Nevada's Love Ranch Tuesday afternoon, brothel owner Dennis Hof said.

Odom started "throwing up

all kinds of stuff" after a 911 operator told brothel workers to turn him on his side, Hof said in a phone interview. Odom "spent time socializing with some of my girls," but wasn't seen taking any illegal drugs, Hof said.

The Rev. Jesse Jackson, who visited him in the hospital Wednesday, said Odom was on life support and that doctors believe he is recovering after being totally unresponsive the day before.

"Apparently from what the doctor said, he was much better off today than yesterday. He at least has some responsiveness now," Jackson said.

"We're just holding hands and hoping he can bounce back," Jackson added.

Investigators have sought a warrant to obtain a blood sample to determine if Odom suffered a drug or alcohol overdose, Nye County, Nev., Sheriff Sharon Wehrly said.

Odom spent most of his

14-year NBA career in Los Angeles with the Lakers and Clippers, becoming a fan favourite and beloved teammate. Then he took fame even farther, marrying into the Kardashian clan.

His whirlwind romance with Khloe Kardashian and their huge 2009 wedding was taped for the E! network, and Odom appeared on nearly two dozen episodes of Keeping Up with the Kardashians. He also appeared on Kourtney & Kim Take Miami, and his marriage was chronicled on the Khloe & Lamar show in 2011 and 2012.

Odom seemed to get loving attention from the Kardashians. Khloe would call him Lam-Lam and worry openly about him. Even after they split up in 2013, cameras recorded her calling him and checking on his welfare.

But as his life became a public spectacle, his basketball career faded. He was heartbroken in December 2011 when the Lakers attempted to trade him to New Orleans in a multiplayer



Odom spent most of his career in Los Angeles with the Lakers and Clippers. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

trade for Chris Paul. He eventually went to Dallas, and was out of the NBA just two years later.

Odom's behaviour increasingly worried family and friends. He pleaded no contest to drunk-driving after an arrest in August

2013. Kardashian filed for divorce four months later and has been dating Houston Rockets star James Harden. The divorce has not yet received final approval from a judge.

Odom signed with the New York Knicks in April 2014, but never played.

Rumours of drug use followed; Odom was photographed repeatedly on Skid Row. When cameras caught up with him on a sidewalk in August, Odom blamed the media for his downfall.

"Ya'll have discredited me, beat me down, took my confidence, took everything away from me. You will not do it again," Odom told TMZ in an interview. "To everybody that I know and that supports me, I'm sorry but it's just it. The dog has to bite back."

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## What they're asking

As Canadian cities grow, the only place left to build is up. Single-family homes are in great demand, and in some cities, rising prices and bidding wars are the norm. Here is an interesting cross-section of three-bedroom homes with a range of asking prices. **Duncan McAllister** FOR METRO

ASKING PRICES WERE ACCURATE AT TIME OF PUBLISHING.



**\$458,732**

### Winnipeg

Here's a great concept in home ownership: It's a two-storey detached bungalow sold as a condominium. The Country Estates at the Oaks is located at 70 Oak Forest Cres., in west Winnipeg, and features 36 standalone condos built by Irwin Homes. This three-bedroom unit is available for immediate possession, with 1,557 sq. ft. of living space and a loft. A low monthly condo fee includes snow shovelling and grass cutting. Listing agent Stewart Elston is a sales representative with Realty Executives Premiere, 204-781-9999.



**\$529,000**

### Ottawa

For sale is a three-bedroom bungalow in the McKellar Park neighbourhood. It has a main-floor family room addition, with hardwood in the principal rooms and bedrooms, a wood-burning fireplace and a fully finished basement with laundry. There are two bathrooms and a two-car, attached garage. The home is within walking distance to great schools and Westboro Village. Listing agent Kelly Millican is a sales representative with Royal LePage Team Realty, 613-729-9090.



**\$219,900**

### Halifax

Here's a bright and cheery home with plenty of upgrades, in the Eastern Passage community. It features a slate-style tiled foyer and hardwood stairs. There's an open concept living room and large, eat-in kitchen. The lower level has an in-law suite, a separate den and a cozy recreation room with new laminate floors, a three-piece bathroom and separate laundry room. The home is located near amenities and Fisherman's Cove. Listing agent is Thomas Bagogloo from the Bagogloo Team, RE/Max nova, 902-830-9006.



**\$429,900**

### Calgary

This three-bedroom, detached home in the Mayland Heights district is close to everything — five minutes to downtown, one block to the bus or a 15-minute walk to the LRT. The home features 956 sq. ft. of living space and three bathrooms. The master suite has built-in closets in an en suite bathroom. The second storey has two bedrooms and a spacious main bath. There's a chef's kitchen with white cupboards and granite countertops. Bryon Howard is a sales representative for Re/Max House of Real Estate, 403-589-0004.



**\$2,980,000**

### Vancouver

Towards the higher end is this fabulous three-bedroom, three-bathroom detached home in the desirable Shaughnessy neighbourhood. The two-level home boasts 2,100 sq. ft. of living space, built by a prominent Vancouver custom builder. It's a 20-minute walk to the Skytrain and nearby parks include Devonshire Park, Angus Park and Shaughnessy Park. Listing agent is Dale Mounzer with Macdonald Realty Ltd., 778-875-8011.



**\$989,000**

### Toronto

This character row house is located deep in the heart of Little Italy. It was built in the 1880s and has been renovated to perfection. The home features high-end finishes, elegant fixtures and heritage crown moldings. With a bright and spacious layout, there's also a finished basement with a separate entrance and a detached garage. The site is located near all the amenities and transit options of College Street West. Listing agents Ralph Fox and Kori Marin are with Sage Real Estate Ltd., 416-483-8000.



**\$559,900**

### Edmonton

Located in Lakehead Ridge, this two-story detached home is situated on a quiet street near walking trails and schools. The home offers many upgrades including nine-foot ceilings, quartz countertops, lighting fixtures, flooring and window covers. The bright and open main floor has large windows, a laundry and a walk-through pantry. The backyard is surrounded by mature trees and a two-tiered deck. Listing agent Jeremy Amyotte is a sales representative with RE/Max Elite, 780-406-4000.



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# ACCESSORIES FOR THE ULTIMATE AT-HOME BREW STATION

Cold weather means drinking more of the good stuff: hot tea, coffee and hot chocolate. Here are a few brewing discoveries that are sure to have you sipping away in style.

**Karl Lohnes**  
For Metro Canada



## 1 Sip away

The perfect accompaniment to Netflix this winter. Time For Tea Set — My Cup of Tea, \$25, Chapters.Indigo.ca

## 2 Grind away

One machine that grinds to every need at the perfect price. Custom Grind Coffee Grinder, \$35, HamiltonBeach.ca

## 3 Heat away

A solid brass classic to entertain for a lifetime. Alfi Thermal Carafe, \$200, Williams-Sonoma.com

## 4 Pump away

For the smoothest, grit-free pump coffee. AeroPress Coffee & Espresso Brewer, \$35, Starbucks.ca

## 5 Brew away

The hipster teapot that will live on forever. STAUB Teapot, Basil, \$170, TheBay.com

## 6 Walk away

Act like you overspend at the local coffee shop while brewing your own. Lenox Park City Thermal Travel Mug, \$12, BedBathAndBeyond.ca

## 7 Boil away

Add some style from kitchen counter to the table. Hamilton Beach 1.7-litre Stainless Steel Cordless Kettle, \$70, Lowes.ca

## 8 Store away

The handiest gadget in your coffee station. Coffee Scoop Clip, \$6, CB2.com

# No-carve pumpkins in season

## HOME DECOR

## Get style sans the smooch in the leadup to Halloween

While some people can't wait to get out the carving knife, there are lots of alternative ways to dress up a Halloween pumpkin.

"No carving means less mess," says Katherine Parker, senior digital editor of Better Homes and Gardens magazine.

She suggests painting the pumpkin black before adding cardstock features that will appeal to youngsters. "A tail, ears or bat wings can transform a plain pumpkin into a cute, festive creature."

Other kid-friendly ideas? Swath your pumpkin in pieces of cheesecloth to create a mummy, or clad it in silvery blue paint along with some faux rhinestones and a plastic tiara for a "Frozen" jack-o'-lantern.

Parker says paint pens are an even easier way to decorate pumpkins. "Arrange different-size stencilled pumpkins to create a vignette — like a cat chasing mice, or a spooky message." For a Gothic, slightly racy look, take a bare pumpkin and



LED lights illuminate an array of mercury glass and resin pumpkins from Pottery Barn for a festive Halloween without dealing with the mess of carving. POTTERY BARN VIA THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

apply a black lace stencil. An intricate doily or piece of tulle would create pretty stencilled patterns. Or simply wrap an old pair of fishnet or lace tights around the pumpkin and add a silky bow at the stem.

Go seasonally stylish, without overtly referencing Halloween, by painting your pumpkin and then embellishing it with stripes, chevrons or polka dots in fall hues. Think chocolate brown on cream; carmine on deep yellow; black on white; copper on indigo.

An all-black pumpkin decorated with tiny sequins or crys-

tals in a celestial design creates late-night drama without the scare factor.

Get out the glue gun and add inky black gemstones, glitter or feathers for a custom version of those glammed-up, store-bought pumpkins.

Or wrap your pumpkin from stem to base in vertical strips of paper, ribbon, yarn or washi tape in a fun, fashion-forward design.

Go right outside the traditional Halloween box by painting your pumpkins in an unusual colour — think navy or smoke or olive —

and consider a matte rather than glossy paint to up the style ante. Wrap stems in velvety chenille yarn or metallic thread. If you've got any extra wide-based pillar candle or cake stands at home, you're all set to elevate your cre-

ations; spray-paint them glossy black for extra punch.

Whether you're having a party or just want to send greetings of the season, mini pumpkins are a great vehicle. Wrap stems with greenery, colourful twine and a little message or invite tag for the perfect Halloween invite.

Look for instructions and templates at bhg.com, instructables.com or marthastewart.com, among other resources.

## Store finds

If you aren't crafty, there are some striking jack-o'-lanterns in stores this season.

- Add shimmer and shine to your Halloween display with Pottery Barn's lacy glass-mosaic pumpkins, or ones covered with hand-blown glass dots on antiqued silver. Filled with battery-operated LED lights, they work well as pre-season and night-

of decor. (potterybarn.com)

- Homegoods has pumpkins made of various natural materials, such as twigs, seed pods and vines. Some are dyed in vibrant fall hues and they have interesting textures. (homegoods.com)

- Iron forged into jack-o'-lantern shapes gives Crate & Barrel's luminaries a modern vibe; use them indoors as floor or mantel decor with graphic punch. (crateandbarrel.com)

- Grandin Road's got snazzy, black-and-gold harlequin and polka-dot patterned pumpkins, as well as pre-lit grapevine pumpkins. (grandinroad.com)

- At Pier 1, there's an oddly appealing mashup of seasonal decor in a black faux pine garland festooned with glittery faux pumpkins and glass balls. (pier1.com)

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**Pumpkins crafted from natural materials like twigs, seed pods, vines and tree fibres make an interesting alternative to carved or traditional pumpkins.**

ZACK SECKLER/HOMEGOODS  
VIA THE ASSOCIATED PRESS





# Bautista blasts Jays to AL finals in wild, wacky win over Texas

**MLB PLAYOFFS**  
**Bizarre plays, Ranger errors pave way to dramatic finish**

Capping a deciding game filled with controversy, bad blood and just plain craziness, Jose Bautista's three-run homer propelled the Blue Jays into the American League Championship Series as baseball karma delivered Toronto to a wild 6-3 win over the Texas Rangers on Wednesday.

Game 5 of the AL Division Series was filled with drama — and almost as much talk as play on the field before a riled-up sellout crowd of 49,742 under the Rogers Centre roof.

When the dust settled, the Jays had rallied from a 2-0 hole to win three straight and advance to face either Kansas City or Houston. It was Toronto's first home playoff win since Joe Carter's home run secured the 1993 World Series.

The Jays rushed the mound to celebrate when it was over, followed by police to monitor the crowd. And baseball had a playoff game that will long be remembered, for the good and bad. Tied 2-2, the contest was turned on its head in the top of the seventh.

With Rowned Odor on third and Shin Soo-Choo at the plate with two outs, Toronto catcher Russell Martin's return throw back to the mound hit Choo's bat and flew off into the distance.

Odor raced home while the Jays players held their arms up in disbelief. Home plate umpire Dale Scott, who had called time, then awarded Odor the base — and the run — after a confab. As beer and garbage flew out of the stands, there was more talk and a review.

The ruling was the play stood — that Choo had not intentionally interfered so the ball was alive and in play. Martin was given a throwing error and the irate Jays,



Toronto's Roberto Osuna and catcher Dioner Navarro embrace as the Blue Jays celebrate on the field at Rogers Centre. CHRIS YOUNG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

## ALDS Game 5



Mitch Moreland and two by shortstop Elvis Andrus — allowing Martin, Kevin Pillar and Ryan Goins to load the bases with none out.

The Rangers got pinch-runner Dalton Pompey out at home with the Rangers upset at the take-no-prisoners slide that took out catcher Chris Gimenez. Reliever Sam Dyson took over for Rangers ace Cole Hamels.

Josh Donaldson drove in Pillar on a field's choice float-er that just went over Odor's glove to tied it at 3-3. Bautista then slammed a three-run homer to settle the score, pausing dramatically to savour his handiwork before

flipping the bat and trotting round the bases.

Dyson took umbrage, jawing at Edwin Encarnacion, who was next up. The benches and bullpen emptied, although nothing came of it.

The benches emptied again after the inning finally ended. Jays pitcher Mark Buehrle, who was in uniform but not on the playoff roster, was the only player ejected after the scuffles. Texas put two men on in the eighth but closer Roberto Osuna ended the threat before wrapping up the ninth.

The Jays are the 15th team in MLB history to force a Game 5 in a best-of-five ser-

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ONLINE RISE

The Toronto Blue Jays' success on the field this season is helping them online.

Toronto's surge into Major League Baseball's post-season and performance in the American League Division Series has seen the Blue Jays' popularity explode, with the team's official Twitter

account gaining more than 350,000 followers over the course of the season, putting them over one million total followers.

The Toronto Maple Leafs remain the most popular Canadian sports franchise on Twitter with 1,034,103 followers. THE CANADIAN PRESS

ies when down 0-2 and only the third to win after losing the first two games at home (the Yankees in 2001 and San Francisco Giants in 2012 also did it).

The game was played nearly 30 years to the day that the Jays played their last sudden-death game (Oct 16, 1985, a loss to Kansas City).

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# There's a buzz about Jets



## THE HOCKEY NEWS

**Matt Larkin**

Sure, it's very early in this Winnipeg Jets season. But if you've jumped to your feet more than once during a game so far, I can't blame you. There's a different buzz around this team already.

There was something symbolic about seeing Nikolaj Ehlers uncork a howitzer from the top of the circle Tuesday night to bury his first NHL goal. Ehlers beat superstar goalie Henrik Lundqvist of all people, and the Jets won on the road against the defending Presidents' Trophy champs, the New York Rangers. So the Jets have started 3-1-0, with 11 different goal-scorers and a league-high 15 goals. Oh, and they haven't played a home game yet. How's that for a start?

It's not just that this team has come out flying, winning by two goals or more three times. It's the way the Jets are doing it. Having Michael Hutchinson and Ondrej Pavelec push each



Nicholas Ehlers, left, and Mark Schiefele are two-thirds of a dynamite line. ELSA/GETTY IMAGES

other, splitting the starts in goal, has worked nicely. Hutchinson has a .968 save percentage in his two outings, and Pavelec sits at .932. We've seen the usual stalwarts contribute, from Blake Wheeler to Andrew Ladd to Dustin Byfuglien, but the really exciting signs come from the kids. Mark Scheifele

has looked every bit like the player poised to overtake Bryan Little as the long-term No. 1 center, sniping three goals in four games. Scheifele averaged around 14 minutes in the first two games but around 17 minutes in the past two. He's gaining coach Paul Maurice's trust, and he's been dynamite on the second

line with Ehlers and Mathieu Perreault.

When projecting the Jets' season this past summer, we liked them to make the playoffs again because they had solid top-end forwards, a deep blueline and good enough goaltending. But if Scheifele and Ehlers keep up this early-season barrage,

**60.8**  
Mark Scheifele's Corsi For percentage through four games is 60.8, per [hockey-reference.com](http://hockey-reference.com). His career mark is 51.3.

might this team reach a new stratosphere of Cup contention, way ahead of schedule? Controlling the possession game has already been a team strength in recent seasons, and the best complement to good possession is skill. The Los Angeles Kings, for example, had great possession numbers last year but struggled to finish their chances and missed the playoffs. The Tampa Bay Lightning, meanwhile, had strong possession and their skill helped them to a high shooting percentage. It was a deadly combination, making the Bolts the league's highest-scoring team.

So while the season is oh-so young, there's reason to pump your fist about this Jets team. The infusion of young skill has raised its ceiling.

## HOCKEY

### Why was Ovie scratched? He overslept practice

Washington Capitals star Alex Ovechkin said he overslept and missed practice on Tuesday morning, and that's why coach Barry Trotz made him sit out that night's game against San Jose Sharks.

The Capitals said on Tuesday that Ovechkin missed the game due to "personal reasons." Ovechkin spoke to reporters after Wednesday's practice, saying he made a mistake setting his alarm clock.

He set the alarm clock for 8:30 p.m. instead of a.m., which caused him to oversleep and arrive at practice late. Ovechkin said Trotz then told the Capitals' captain he would not play in the game for violating team rules.

"I just messed up with my alarm clock ... made a mistake," Ovechkin said. "We talked. We have a conversation. It's (the) rules."

Trotz said he understood what happened, but the rules are the rules.

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## CFL TRADING DEADLINE

# Als acquire Glenn, Stamps get Messam

The Montreal Alouettes have acquired quarterback Kevin Glenn from the Saskatchewan Roughriders.

The Riders get a fifth-round pick in the 2016 draft in return for the veteran.

The deal came before today's 4 p.m. CFL trade deadline.

Montreal (5-9) lost starter Rakeem Cato to injury in Monday's 25-17 home loss to the Toronto Argonauts.

Glenn completed 171-of-257 passes for 2,174 yards with

nine TDs and 10 interceptions this season with the Riders (2-13), who have been eliminated from playoff contention in the West Division.

Montreal is last in the East Division but tied with both B.C. (5-9) and Winnipeg (5-10) for the third playoff spot in the West Division standings but would have to accumulate more points than both clubs in order to become the first Eastern squad to cross over to the West come playoff time.



**It's no added pressure. We play for these opportunities to be in a storybook.**

New Alouette Kevin Glenn

In another deadline deal, the Calgary Stampeders acquired running back Jerome Messam and a 2016 fifth-round draft

pick from the Saskatchewan Roughriders for kicker Tyler Crapigna, a 2016 third-round selection and a negotiations list player.

Messam, 30, of Brampton, Ont., is the CFL's second-leading rusher with 826 yards.

Also, the Hamilton Tiger-Cats acquired Canadian defensive back Mike Edem from the Montreal Alouettes for a 2016 sixth-round pick and a conditional seventh-round selection in 2017. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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## OMG: HARRY STYLES GOES FULL MONTY ON SEGWAY

While everyone's been talking about Justin Bieber's privates, news of another young pop singer's clothing-optional exploits might have slipped through the cracks. But fear not, I'm here to fill you in.

According to the boys in 5 Seconds of Summer, touring with One Direction can be more than a little revealing. Band member Ashton Irwin tells Alan Carr during an interview that backstage at one tour stop, Harry Styles stunned the band by zipping

around completely naked on a Segway.

"It was just once. I saw full-on ball-sack," Irwin says before Michael Clifford adds, "The worst part was that Luke (Hemming)'s mom was standing right there, and he comes in on the Segway, just butt naked, sees Luke's



mom and turns around."

That's a pretty hilarious visual, except for one aspect Irwin forgot to add: "It was like his first time on a Segway, too, so it was kind of awkward turning around and trying to hide things at the same time." Maybe practice first before going full streaker, Harry. NED EHRBAR/METRO HOLLYWOOD

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## IT'S ALL IN THE STARS by Sally Brompton

**Aries** March 21 - April 20  
How can you be sure that someone is telling you the truth? You can't, but it doesn't matter. Even if they are lying no harm will come of it.

**Taurus** April 21 - May 21  
If someone you live or work with makes a mess of something today don't make a big fuss about it. There are far too many interesting things going on to waste time worrying what others may be doing wrong.

**Gemini** May 22 - June 21  
Focus on career and work-related matters today. If you knuckle down and get things done you will make the kind of impression that earns big rewards. Employers are eager to see you succeed — don't let them down.

**Cancer** June 22 - July 23  
Listen to what friends and colleagues tell you today because they can see the bigger picture while you can only see small bits of it.

**Leo** July 24 - Aug. 23  
Consider your options carefully, then act quickly and decisively. This applies especially to financial matters. Somehow you will just know what your rivals are planning. Use that knowledge to your benefit.

**Virgo** Aug. 24 - Sept. 23  
The more you seek advice from people you trust the more their ideas and opinions will confuse you. You don't need advice, you just need to listen to your inner voice and act on what it tells you. Trust yourself.

**Libra** Sept. 24 - Oct. 23  
You already know the answers, so why are you still seeking other people's opinions? It is part of the Libra nature to look at all possibilities before making a decision but sometimes you can take it too far!

**Scorpio** Oct. 24 - Nov. 22  
You seem to know everyone's little secrets. You also seem to know who is telling you the truth and who is lying. It's an amazing talent and one you could and should do more with.

**Sagittarius** Nov. 23 - Dec. 21  
You will be offered something worth having but will be reluctant to accept because you are not sure if it is the right thing to do. The only thing that really matters is if it benefits you.

**Capricorn** Dec. 22 - Jan. 20  
You can get just about anyone to agree to just about anything. Whether you use your powers of persuasion for good or bad remains to be seen but use it you must.

**Aquarius** Jan. 21 - Feb. 19  
You may not change the way you do things often but once you do you go all the way and that's what will happen today. You will be amazed how quickly it becomes a part of your life.

**Pisces** Feb. 20 - March 20  
You see trouble developing well before anyone else, which gives you a major advantage. Your way with words is also a handy weapon and anyone who challenges you today will wish they had kept quiet!

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## RECIPE Sweet Potato and Apple Soup



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**Ceri Marsh & Laura Keogh**  
For Metro Canada



This sweet and spicy dish is great alone or with grilled cheese.

### Ready in

Prep time: 45 minutes

### Serves 4

### Ingredients

- 1 large sweet potato, peeled and cut into 1-inch cubes
- 2 Tbsps olive oil, divided pinch salt
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 carrot, diced
- 1 yellow onion, diced
- 3 cups chicken stock
- 2 apples, diced
- 1/2 tsp cinnamon
- pinch nutmeg
- pinch ginger
- 1/2 cup coconut milk

### Directions

1. Preheat oven to 400.

2. In a large bowl, toss sweet potato with 1 tablespoon of the olive oil and salt. Spread them on a greased baking sheet and roast in the oven for about 20 minutes until tender.
3. In a large pot over medium heat, add the remaining olive oil, garlic, carrot and onion. Cook, stirring frequently, until vegetables are tender, about 10 minutes. Stir in the chicken stock and add sweet potato, apple and spices and cover allowing the soup to simmer for about 15 minutes.
4. Remove the soup from the heat and using an immersion blender or working in batches with a blender, puree the soup until smooth. You can add additional stock if you want to adjust the consistency of the soup.
5. Return the soup to low heat and stir in the milk and allow to simmer another 5 minutes then season to taste.

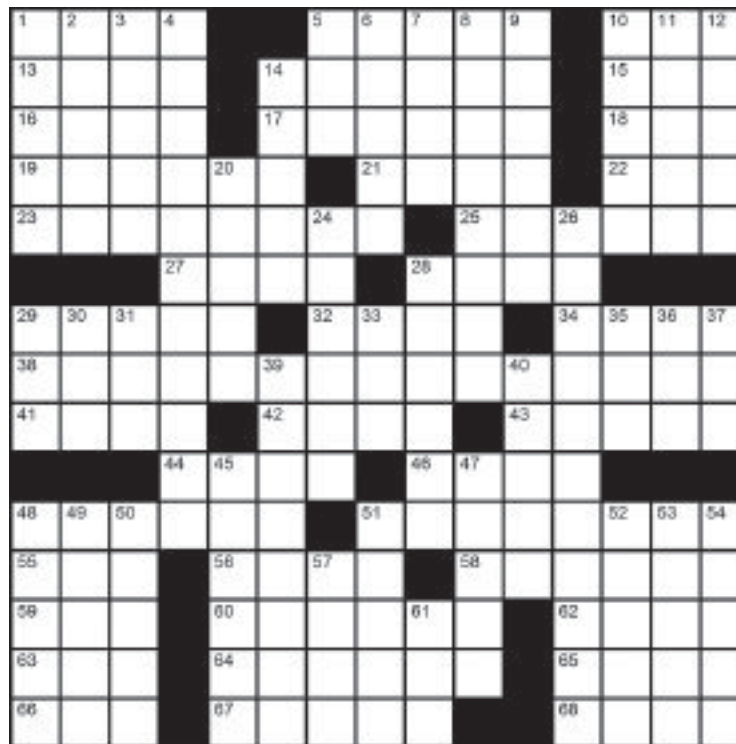
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38. British Columbia's tree emblem: 3 wds.
41. Celeb's ride
42. John or William of movies
43. Sequence
44. Variantly-spelled refusals
46. Beyonce song
48. " \_\_ Really Matter" by Platinum Blonde
51. \_\_ Gardens (Calgary botanical attraction)
55. Same old, same old



56. 'Single'-meaning prefix
58. \_\_ & Davide (Makers of The Queen's shoes)
59. Ordinal suffix
60. Ascended
62. Poivres pals
63. "Cold Mountain" (2003) role

- for Nicole
64. Most ready-to-be-eaten banana
65. "Mother-in-Law" by Ernie \_\_
66. Work week starter, briefly
67. Daunt
68. Longbow woods

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1. Nero's 351
2. "Death of a Salesman" (1951) character Willy
3. For everyone to hear
4. Canadian plus-size clothing chain

5. Web address' usual last word
6. Est's opposite French direction
7. \_\_ the crack of dawn
8. Do a new version of the song
9. Theatre, in Italy
10. Tuesday: French

11. Margarine
12. Hollywood legend Ms. Davis
14. "Listen \_\_ Heart" by Tom Petty & The Heartbreakers
20. Dr. Frasier \_\_ (Kelsey Grammer character)
24. The Swan constellation
26. Current album by Canadian quartet The Tenors: 3 wds.
28. Boil under the collar
29. Hole-punching tool
30. Greeter's garland for the guest
31. 'Real' suffix
33. Bruins legend Bobby
35. Don't subtract, do this instead
36. Ms. West
37. Be off
39. Lofty language
40. Eyes-creator in a smiley face :)
45. Where liquid water has been detected, in recent space headlines: 2 wds.
47. Before: French
48. Aspiration
49. Do better this time
50. Mr. Hawke
51. Medication-dispensing person, say
52. L' \_\_ Montreal
53. Grant
54. Sniffers
57. Palm used for basketry or thatching
61. WNW opposite

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